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AFTER MANY YEARS LOSE

Looks as if poor old Big Springs is to be left out in the future trading from this part of the country. Freight, in the past, was hauled chiefly from that place, but now, since railroad facilities are some fifty-three miles nearer, Lubbock is getting the generous share.—Gomez Review.

For many years, Big Springs has held the trade of this section of the country, but she has gradually been losing bit by bit, until in a few more years more, if she don't look out she will have to depend upon a small territory for subsistence. Some how or other, Big Springs has been sleeping on her rights, and has let some golden opportunities fade away into the dim vale of her more wide awake neighbors, and though she has been scratching around for the past few months to try to dig up some railroad that would put new life into her, she has been doomed to disappointment and is now reaping the results of a long drawn out slumber, and as Rip Van Winkle, she finds things greatly changed. Her former trade territory is gone.

We do not care to throw a stumbling block in the way of any town in the west, but we merely sight this instance as a warning for other towns, Lubbock for one, to ever keep a keen lookout for such occurrences as this. Don't ever get it into your head, that just because we have trains running into the town, that that ends the story. For it is only the beginning, and we must keep the work of pushing the interests of the towns, and keep the ball of progress at high speed, to hold our place in the race for the many good things that are coming to the west, these days. On with the Lubbock banner, keep it constantly waving, that the people may know that we are in the thickest of the fight for a bigger and better Lubbock.

The Avalanche next week will contain 24 pages within itself besides a 24 page magazine section which is replete with fine Christmas stories and other good reading matter. The Avalanche is determined to keep ahead of the town as long as we hold the patronage of so liberal set of advertisers and wide awake business firms as you will find in represented in the columns of this paper you may rest assured that the Avalanche will get better and better from month to month and year to year.

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Life unfolds its newer impulses and life is real. Let loose the chorus of the glad some noontide. Hush to sweet slumber the midnight's peaceful hour. Oh, vestal virgins, to thee we make appeal, for a larger meaning of the tenants of love. Sing the glad refrain.

Arcadia is ours. Ours to know, appreciate, live and breathe. Waft to us on the boundless main of infinite love the recrudescences of "peace on earth good will toward men."

Arcady and the glad yuletide have met and are warmly embracing the opportunities of universal brotherhood. Sing to us of love. Boundless as the love of God is the similitude of the glories to be found in this section of the universe. It is Arcadia. Come join this band. Sing to us of love, oh, vestal choir.

The Avalanche's subscription list is climbing every week, and it is with pleasure that we receive many nice compliments for the good paper we publish. This is done only at a great cost of the management and we greatly appreciate a subscriber watching the date on the label of his paper to see when the time expires. If it reads Dec. 16, '09 your time expires with this issue and you are due us a dollar as our subscriptions are due in advance. Read the labels.

Headquarters for Christmas candies, cigars, cigarettes, nuts, apples, oranges, figs and dates. Opera Confectionary. 23 2t

O. F. Baxter, of Nacogdoches, was in the city this week and paid the Avalanche office a pleasant call. Mr. Baxter is an experienced steam laundry man, and came here with the intention of interesting the people of this place in a steam laundry proposition, but found that he was too late, as Lubbock is to soon have one of the finest laundries in the state, the machinery for which is now arriving, and will be installed at an early date.

COLORADO GETTING BUSY

The Promoters of the Concho and Colorado Railroad Stir Up Interest—May Come

There has been some talk for the past few months about a North and South road to cross the Texas & Pacific at Colorado, Texas, and the promoters of the road are getting busy making propositions, and seem to be meeting with much encouragement along the line as far as they have gone with it. The road, it seems, is to run from a point on the Kansas City, Mexico & Orient, to Colorado, and will be extended in all probability to the Plains country and probably into New Mexico. This being the case, it will probably come into the Lubbock country, and Lubbock will be in the bidding for it. We extend to the promoters a hearty invitation to come and see our town, and we will guarantee them a warm welcome.

The people of Colorado are coming alive to the need of another railroad, and they are hustling the citizens of Colorado and Mitchell county for a \$125,000 cash bonus and right-of-way from the south line of the county, through town and with sufficient grounds for depot and terminals.

This road will pass through a fertile scope of country and they expect to get busy on the grade work right away.

On with the work, and when they get ready to come into Lubbock, we will make arrangements to accommodate them.

Another new railroad for Lubbock, means more new houses and S. P. Robbins & Company will appreciate the insurance. 23 2t

Clock Cost \$40,000

Carlsbad, N. M., Nov. 29.—Although J. J. Hagerman, railroad builder, died several months ago, in Italy, the story has just come to light here that an alarm clock cost him \$40,000.

Hagerman lost the battle against frost by smudging in his orchard, assigning each employee a section of the orchard to smudge. Each employee set an alarm clock to arouse him early, and every man got there except one. His clock did not work.

Hagerman did not miss him and his section of the orchard was not smudged. All the apples were saved except this one patch, worth over \$40,000.

Christmas holidays are coming and everyone knows how impossible it is to prevent fires. Insure your property with S. P. Robbins & Co so you can enjoy the "fire works." 23 2t

Will Observe Christmas

The merchants and business men of the town have agreed to close all of their places of business all day Christmas day, and ask the general public to govern themselves accordingly. Make your purchases early so that you will not find yourself wanting on Christmas day. The merchants, clerks, mechanics, etc. need rest occasionally and we know no other day more suitable. Bear the closing proposition in mind and do not expect to make your purchases on this day.

C. E. Brown left Tahoka Thursday, with men and wagons, for the north end of the line, to begin grubbing. C. E. has the contract of grubbing from the Coleman cut-off to Lamesa a distance of 66 miles. This is the first work that was done on the road.—Lynn County News.

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A. R. McGonagill left for Lubbock Thursday to go to work for the Double U Company of Post City, receiving freight for them. This is the same work Mr. McGonagill did for the Company at Snyder and then at Flavanna. All their freight will be shipped to Lubbock.—Lynn County News

Do You Know Him?

The Review would be pleased to receive any information as to the whereabouts of one Silas Jefferson, about 5ft. 4in., light complexion, impediment in speech, and was a cowboy on the Plains and in the Panhandle. The gentleman is related to the editor of this paper.—Gomez Review.

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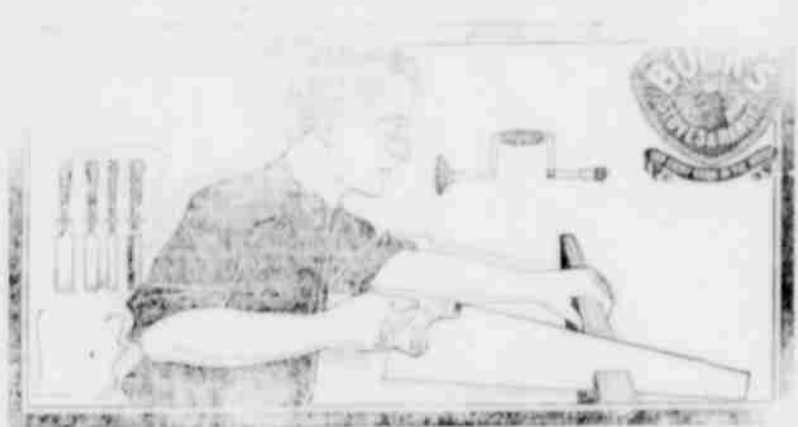
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